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SUBJECT: STATUS OF EXPROPRIATED ASSETS OF AMERICAN
CITIZENS

1. AID HAS REQUESTED DEPT COMMENT ON WHETHER BURMA MEETS
LEGISLATIVE CRITERIA FOR FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, AND IN PARTI-
CULAR WHETHER IT MEETS THE CRITERIA OF SECTIONS 620(C)
AND 620(E)(1) OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT. TO FACILITATE
THIS DETERMINATION, POST IS REQUESTED TO SUPPLY MOST
RECENT INFORMATION ON STATUS OF ALL CLAIMS OF U.S.
CITIZENS OR ENTITIES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY U.S. CITIZENS
FOR COMPENSATION FOR EXPROPRIATED PROPERTY. POST SHOULD
ALSO SUPPLY ANY INFORMATION ON WHETHER GUB IS LIABLE AS
DEBTOR OR UNCONDITIONAL GUARANTOR ON ANY DEBT TO A U.S.
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2. A DEPARTMENT MEMO DATED FEBRUARY 6, 1975 (COPY POUCHED
TO VERNE DICKEY) INDICATES THAT BETWEEN 1963 AND 1965 GUB
NATIONALIZED ALL PRIVATE PROPERTY INCLUDING ASSETS OF
FOREIGN FIRMS. IT OFFERED NO COMPENSATION WITH THE
EXCEPTION OF SOME PAYMENTS IN 1969 FOR NATIONALIZED BANKS
AND SOME COMPENSATION TO THE BURMAH OIL COMPANY.

IN DECEMBER 1973 GUB EVENTUALLY OFFERED TO PAY NOMINAL

COMPENSATION TO OWNERS OF NATIONALIZED PROPERTY. FIVE U.S. FIRMS AND INSTITUTIONS SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS.

3. DEPARTMENT FILES ALSO NOTE THAT ON OCTOBER 4, 1976 BEATRICE FOODS CO. SUBMITTED A CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FOR \$33,936 WORTH OF EXPROPRIATED STOCK.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE UPDATE DATA CONTAINED PARAS 2 AND 3 ABOVE TO ENABLE A DETERMINATION BE MADE RELATING TO FAA SECTION 620(E)(1). PLEASE DESCRIBE CURRENT STATUS OF ALL AMERICAN CLAIMS AND INDICATE WHAT PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE TOWARD SETTLEMENT AND WHETHER ANY GUB ACTION ON CLAIMS CAN BE EXPECTED IN NEAR FUTURE. (DEPT WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION YOU CAN PROVIDE ON WHETHER INDIAN AND BRITISH CLAIMANTS HAVE BEEN MORE SUCCESSFUL THAN AMERICAN CLAIMANTS IN OBTAINING COMPENSATION.) VANCE

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